

## ENGLAND STEPS IN.

Indirect Overtures for a New Treaty with Hawaii.

Cable from Australia, via Honolulu, to Canada Proposed.

Commissioner Carter Writes an Open Letter to Mr. Gresham.

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HONOLULU, Dec. 5, via San Francisco, Dec. 12, per Steamship Oceanic.—The steamer Arawa was held over until noon yesterday to allow Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister of Trade and Commerce, of Ottawa, Canada, to address the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Bowell was accompanied by Mr. Theodore H. Davies. Application was made first made to President Dole to use his influence to call the Chamber of Commerce together to listen to Mr. Bowell's commercial propositions, which are now known to have had a semi-political significance.

Reporters were excluded from the meeting, and it was impossible to get off a report of the meeting by the Arawa, though Mr. Bowell carries with him a verbatim report by his secretary, which will probably be published upon his arrival.

Mr. Bowell's speech consisted mainly of an appeal for aid from the Hawaiian Government to encourage the Canadian-Australian Steamship line. He told of the market in Canada for Hawaiian products, and spoke of the necessity of cable communication between Hawaii

and Canada and Australia. He said a conference would be held next year in Canada on the subject and invited Hawaii to send a representative.

The members of the Cabinet were seen shortly after the meeting yesterday morning, and even their guarded expressions of opinion concerning the purpose of Mr. Bowell's proposition showed that the real scheme behind his speech, as reported, was preliminary to a proposal for a new treaty to be entered into on the part of England, through Canada, with Hawaii.

In answer to your correspondent one of the Cabinet said:  
"Of course, no proposition has yet been made, we have nothing before us, but it is not likely that we will enter into relations unless forced to do so by the attitude of the United States."

"Yes, I am inclined to believe that the hand and influence of England are behind this proposal, and that a proposal for a new treaty will be made before the time for expiration of the reciprocity treaty with the United States. I certainly believe England is trying to gain a foothold here."

A rumor of disaffection in the Government here, which has been going around for some time, proves upon inquiry to be without foundation. The policy of resistance to either internal or external forces has received the unanimous consent of the Government. This is stated upon best authority.

Although two applications have been made by the Associated Press correspondent for an interview with the ex-Queen since the arrival of the steamer Australia, both have been denied. In each case he was referred to Paul Neumann, who seems now to be the sole advisor and director of the ex-Queen's policy and actions.

Yesterday evening the town was filled with rumors that the ex-Queen was to be restored this morning at 10 o'clock. Later it was learned that the rumors had arisen among native boat-boys, and was caused by official visits in the morning by United States Minister Willis to the British cruiser Champion, and Rear-Admiral Irwin to the Japanese cruiser Nanika.

Capl. Whiting, who will be married this evening, will leave with his bride by the steamer Australia next Saturday for the United States.

### MR. CARTER TO MR. GRESHAM.

An Open Letter Denying Charges Made by the Secretary.

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—An open letter is given out on the Hawaiian question, written to Secretary Gresham by ex-Commissioner Charles I. Carter, who visited the United States shortly after the revolution in the interests of the Provisional Government.

Mr. Gresham's communication to the President contains twenty-seven paragraphs, which Mr. Carter answers in detail, denying the charges therein made and giving statements in support of Minister Stevens and the Provisional Government.

Referring to the acts of the Queen, which are said to have led to the revolution, Mr. Carter says: "For my own part I can never forget or forgive the spectacle of the deciding vote of the Lottery bill. A member, who up to this date was pledged against the measure, too drunk to hold up his head during the

debate, with a wreath of flowers about his neck, said at that time, to have been placed there by the ex-Queen at the moment of his promise to support her plans after having been plying her with intoxicating drinks, voting unsteadily in favor of indefinite postponement until corrected by his neighbors, because he had promised to vote yes, and was not in fit condition to follow the course of legislative action."

As to the use of American troops during the revolution, Mr. Carter writes that "While Mr. Stevens on the Saturday before had consented to allow the Queen's Cabinet to use your forces as against her and those behind her, when that Cabinet violated its pledge and drove again to Her Majesty and her cause, that he positively declined to allow the Committee of Public Safety, which then became a revolutionary body, any support or assistance, and that that was the understanding of the Committee of Public Safety from noon of Sunday, the 19th."

Mr. Carter continues: "I saw the troops landed at 3 o'clock on Monday, and it was not until nearly 9 o'clock that evening that they secured quarters and a number of men were killed. It was midnight before even hasty and inadequate sanitary precautions for their comfort were completed."

"I know by my own knowledge that attempts were made by the Minister and Capt. Wilkes to secure other accommodations for the men, which were refused, and that no attempts were made to secure any accommodations."

"There were eight Government officials and clerks in the building which ordinarily were with Ministers, Judges and some forty or fifty officials, clerks, I was told that the Cabinet had left the building. The Queen's adherents had neither character nor ability to resist."

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until after the troops were landed and the necessity for their remaining on shore over night became apparent.

The "Old Army" might possibly have been used, but that had already been secured from its owners as a rendezvous for the revolutionary forces of the Committee of Public Safety, although circumstances which arose later, to which I will refer, rendered it very moderate use of it self-sufficient for the purposes of the Provisional Government.

That they were not particularly anxious for locating the forces at that place ought to be apparent to you from the fact that as soon as the revolutionary forces were afterwards known as "Camp Boston," could be arranged, the men were moved."

Again, Mr. Carter writes:  
"That there were no manifestations of excitement or alarm in the city on that Monday night was due to the fact that the American troops were on shore. Up to the moment of their landing the agitation and uncertainty were intense. If any of Mr. Bauman's witnesses have made statements to the contrary I should like an opportunity to cross-examine them."

As it was, there were two attempts at incendiarism at different times in the prompt appearance of Lieut. Swinburn and a squad of men might have increased to alarming proportions."

The troops landed at 5 o'clock on Monday, the 19th, and the Committee of Public Safety seized the Government building at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 19th, twenty-four hours later. It was I who entered the building half an hour before the Committee, because it had been rumored that there was a guard concealed therein. I found none."

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